

## EUROPE SPENDS A WEEK IN PEACE

Wars and Rumors of  
Wars Unable to Dis-  
turb Calm.

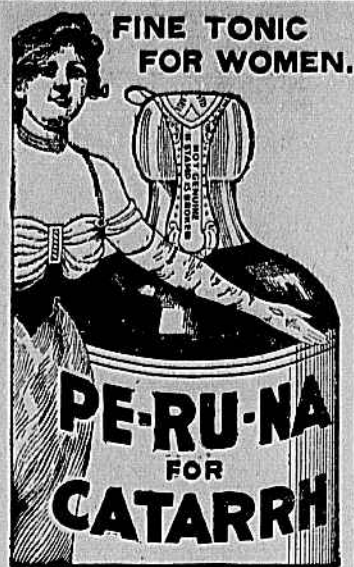
NOTHING TO WORRY  
ABOUT IN LONDON

Russian Capital Has a Few Fore-  
bodings to Record, but as a  
Whole Situation Is Very  
Comfortable—Italy  
Preparing to Re-  
ceive Czar.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)  
LONDON, August 21.—The public  
events of Europe during the past  
week have been of the most triv-  
ial nature, and nobody has any fac-  
t to find with the prevalent summer dull-  
ness. There is a war of sorts in Mo-  
rocco, but it excites no interest. The  
great powers, by a united and solemn  
effort, have chopped down a flagstaff  
at Canes, and the crisis between Tur-  
key and Greece was mitigated, if not  
dissolved, by this simple expedient.  
In England the budget discussion has  
become a bore, and the public finds  
far more human interest in the hear-  
ings of the committee which is con-  
sidering the question of the dramatic  
censorship. This is really a valuable  
contribution to the gaiety of the na-  
tions.

**How Walkeley Sees It.**  
The players who have read the  
strenuous protests of Shaw, Barber and  
other dramatists are inclined to agree  
with Walkeley, the famous Times  
critic, who told the committee yester-  
day that he considered the agitation  
much ado about nothing, and that the  
indignant authors were taking them-  
selves too seriously.  
The critics of the European press,  
summing up the first cycle of the per-  
formances at Bayreuth, agree that the  
ideal setting of Wagner's music still  
contributed to its public charm, but  
they lament the inadequate artistic  
qualities of the performers, both vocal  
and instrumental. Beauty is still  
triumphant, but the actual performers  
are below the level of New York  
and London. The orchestra is weak.  
There are few great singers, and the  
prompter whistles incessantly.

**As to Mail Service.**  
The Postmaster-General has asked  
the Chamber of its members to ascer-  
tain the views of its members on the  
question of closing the American mails  
on Friday evening instead of 2 P. M.  
on Saturday, thus enabling letters to  
be delivered in New York on the fol-  
lowing Thursday. It is argued that  
London business men do not work  
on Saturday, and that the great bulk  
of the American letters are now posted  
on Friday evening. No mails from  
America reach England in time for  
replies by the Saturday boats.  
As a matter of fact, the Saturday  
mail boats from New York are now  
so slow that their letters are delivered  
in London only on the following Mon-  
day week, one day earlier than the



letters leaving New York four days  
later.

**A Lament From Brandes.**  
George Brandes, the famous Danish  
writer, has an interesting lament in  
an interview published to-day. Brandes  
is the author of forty volumes of his-  
tory and literary criticism. He de-  
clares that nobody reads him. He  
says:

"I am famous, but that is of no  
avail. If nobody reads me, my pub-  
lishers never sell more than forty copies.  
Of the British edition of my 'Memoirs,'  
only two copies were actually sold.  
Some time ago I was lionized in France,  
and yet I know that none of the peo-  
ple who said sweet things to me had  
read my books. The American maga-  
zines write to me occasionally for  
contributions, and they usually send  
me half of what I demand."

"All my books published in the En-  
glish language earn less than \$50 per  
annum. All great men have been in  
conflict with their age. A great man's  
life is one continuous battle against  
the mediocrity which he outshines and  
which tries to obscure him. I do not  
believe in nationalities. I don't believe  
in nations. The Germans and the Amer-  
icans are perfectly mad in their racial  
pride, and we Danes call pro-  
gressives the people of God's heart. There  
are only individuals, nothing else, no  
progress, nothing. What we call pro-  
gress is merely the progressive idio-  
cy of the world."

**Operation on General Booth.**  
As supposition had intervened in  
the poisoned eye with which General  
William Booth returned to London  
from his automobile tour this week,  
an operation was performed this after-  
noon. The surgeons had to open  
the eye in order to remove the pus.  
The general bore the operation well,  
and is now as comfortable as could be  
expected.

The suffragettes who were arrested  
yesterday on a charge of obstruction  
while picketing the house of Prime  
Minister Asquith have secured a week's  
journey of the case for a week in  
order to bring action against the  
police. They contend that their arrests  
were illegal. They had been allowed  
to picket the house for several days  
before the police intervened, and main-  
tain that they were not causing any  
obstruction. Their sole desire, they  
declare, was to present a petition to  
Mr. Asquith, which is the only way open  
to women to draw attention to their  
grievances.

**Toll of Death and Disaster.**  
The Alpine season is now in full  
swing, and is bringing the usual toll  
of death and disaster. Several cases  
of death or disappearance were report-  
ed to-day. There have been sixteen  
deaths since the beginning of the  
month. Fourteen were reported in  
July.

King Edward was assured by the  
authorities that he would not be mo-  
lested at Marlborough this season. But  
he was so badly mobbed the first day  
that he had serious thoughts of leav-  
ing immediately. The nuisance has  
been mitigated somewhat since, but it  
is still pretty bad, and the officials are  
constantly kept on the qui vive by vis-  
its of His Majesty's suite. The King  
is walking more than usual, and is  
playing croquet daily, to the satis-  
faction of his physicians. This year,  
among the women most acceptable in  
the King's entourage is Maxine Elliot,  
the actress. The large mansion which  
she bought in Herefordshire is now  
being fitted up. It will have a wing  
especially prepared and always ready  
for Gertrude Elliot and her husband,  
Forbes Robertson, and their three baby  
girls.

**STIRRING UP STRIFE**

Every Movement of Diplomats in St.  
Petersburg Is Watched.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ST. PETERSBURG, August 21.—  
Count Moltke, the German ambas-  
sador, is the only representative of a  
great power who has not gone on a  
vacation, and his continued presence  
at the Russian capital arouses fore-  
bodings. He was the only person pres-  
ent last September at the historic in-  
terview at Bucharest between Baron von  
Aehrenthal, the Austrian Minister of  
Foreign Affairs, and M. Iswolsky, the  
Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs.  
Nobody here would be surprised if  
Baron von Aehrenthal aimed another  
blow at the Russian minister.

Akin to this Austro-Russian diplo-  
matic feud are the political relations  
of the British and German embassies.  
Recently Mr. O'Brien, the British  
charge d'affaires, was overheard at a  
social party by the Bavarian minister,  
Count Moy, to make an uncompromis-  
ing reference to German methods.  
Count Moy forthwith bore the tale to  
the German embassy, whence it was  
passed to the Kaiser, who made it a  
personal matter with King Edward.  
Mr. O'Brien was withdrawn for a  
few weeks, but only to be added to  
the King's personal suite and made a  
guest at Windsor Castle for the Asot  
pages.

He is now back at St. Petersburg,  
in greater favor with the King than ever.  
In the meantime, representations were  
made on the impropriety of Count  
Moy's making an official grievance of  
what he heard at a social gathering  
on neutral ground, and he handed in  
his papers and left.  
The result of these estrangements is  
that Germany and Austria are zett-  
fully putting spokes in the wheel.

**Baku Is Bankrupt.**  
Baku, the millionaire oil magnates'  
capital, is financially bankrupt. For  
three years the oil companies, most  
of which are Swedish, English and  
Belgian, have been pressing the Rus-  
sian government to compensate them  
for the destruction of their property,  
amounting to \$15,000,000 during the  
revolutionary uprisings. Their char-  
ters entitled them to be protected by  
the government, which now pleads  
force majeure. The companies who  
own all the property in Baku have  
stopped paying local taxation. The  
schools are closed, and the teachers  
are begging charity. The city em-

ployes are unpaid and have gone to  
look for work as harvest hands.

**Persian Affairs.**  
The foreign office is in receipt of  
advice from Tabriz to the effect that  
Mukhlir, the new Governor of Azer-  
baijan province, arrived at Tabriz yester-  
day without escort. He will re-  
ceive the members of the consular  
body to-morrow.

The exodus of the Persian govern-  
ment that the Russian garrison at Ta-  
briz be recalled will be completed with  
it Mukhlir gives proof of his ability  
to maintain order.

The negotiations regarding the ex-  
patriation of the deposed Shah of Per-  
sia are progressing very slowly. The  
Russian government is anxious that  
the matter be expedited. The former  
Shah will take up his residence at  
Odessa, or some other point in  
Southern Russia.

The exodus of Persia is indebted  
to the Russo-Persian bank to the ex-  
tent of \$1,500,000, contracted before his  
ascension to the throne. The Rus-  
sian government has secured a guar-  
antee that this money will be paid.

**AWAITS CZAR WITH DREAD**

(Italian Government Very Anxious  
About Visit of Russian Emperor.)

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ROME, August 21.—Orders have been  
sent by the government to all the offi-  
cials in Italy to combat the popular  
agitation against the approaching visit  
of the Czar. The police have been  
instructed to prohibit all public meet-  
ings on the subject; to prevent mem-  
bers of popular parties from organiz-  
ing strikes and to refuse to allow the  
local newspapers to publish anything  
relating to such strikes and meetings.  
Unfortunately these secret orders have  
been divulged and the organs of the  
popular parties are now giving them  
wide publicity, thus rendering them  
practically useless.

The Pope has contributed \$20,000 to-  
ward the restoration of the pavement  
of St. Peter's, but fully \$75,000 is need-  
ed for the work. The original design  
have been copied in color so that the  
new marble slabs will hardly be dis-  
tinguished.

The law prohibiting the exportation  
of works of art without permission is  
easily eluded by means of a tip to  
the officials of the exportation depart-  
ment, and Italian antique dealers are  
collecting money. A typical case illus-  
trative of the use of the uselessness  
of the law is the case of a Turin  
dealer who bought two valuable busts  
by Benedetto da Maranka, and as he  
was not the owner of the busts, he  
permitted them to be sold to a foreign  
buyer. The dealer, however, refused  
to sell them to the department for \$60,000.  
A high official of the department  
concluded the sale, but as he was con-  
vinced that busts could not be sold  
abroad, he attempted to buy them  
cheaper. The dealer, however, refused  
to sell. It has now been discovered  
that the dealer sold the busts to be  
sold abroad, but he refused to return  
the permit was granted, and stranger still,  
the department appraised the busts at  
only \$3,000 each. The busts are lost,  
as their sale abroad is perfectly legal.  
The dealer, however, refused to return  
the sum, as he sold them for double the  
price at which he offered them to the  
department.

**INVENTED HIS OWN MURDER**

Ned Marshall Played Grim Jest on Nice  
Hospital.

NICE, August 21.—Since Ned Mar-  
shall has gone to the trouble of re-  
creating his own murder, in order to  
escape the law, he has been in the  
hospital. The interesting news in a  
dull season, he will not object if the  
exciting yet still not commonplace  
story of his recent exploits hereabout  
be told.

Mr. Marshall's endeavor to provide  
a bizarre entertainment for the public  
last spring was so successful that the  
unappreciative authorities suspected  
his mental condition, and sequestered  
him in the Saint-Pons lunatic asylum,  
in the environs of Nice.

Mr. Marshall grew weary of the ex-  
perience, however, and a fortnight ago  
requested his discharge. This was  
unfeeling refused, except on condi-  
tion that his friends promised to see  
him out of the country. Mr. Marshall  
could not dream of allowing his friends  
to undertake a thing so repugnant  
like to them and to him, and con-  
tinued to languish in the retreat.

What induced the authorities to re-  
consider and release him last Mon-  
day morning is unknown, but he was  
released him. The ex-patient's first  
visit was to an acquaintance's house,  
where he left a note saying, "I have  
escaped from the asylum."

But halfway measures are distaste-  
ful to Mr. Marshall. His next visit  
was to the telegraph office. There  
he sat down and sent a brief, busi-  
nesslike press dispatch telling of his  
own murder, which subsequently ap-  
peared in the particulars that he was  
shot by his own revolver while trying  
to escape.

As he later visited the police sta-  
tion at Monticello and shook hands  
with the brigadier on duty, that offi-  
cial was able to satisfy an inquiry  
that the man who had been shot and  
sound of body. A correspondent en-  
countered him at Monticello, and he  
made no reference to the killing he had  
recently undergone.

**COMMISSION AT WORK**

Declines Invitations and Digs Indus-  
trially at Lake of St. Helens.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)  
BERLIN, August 21.—The Congres-  
sional Waterways Commission arrived  
last Wednesday and has had a busy  
week. The members include Senators  
Burton, Gallinger and Simmons and  
Congressmen Alexander, Alexander  
and Sparkman. The commissioners  
have declined all invitations to social  
festivities and have been putting  
the most of the time visiting the wa-  
terways near Berlin and grappling  
with the statistical material which  
the German government has been send-  
ing to their hotel by the late.  
Senator Burton has had conferences  
with the Prussian Public Works De-  
partment.

The American Chamber of Commerce  
gave the commissioners a highly in-  
teresting thirty minutes' session on  
Thursday. Apollinaris was passed  
over by way of stimulating good  
deed. Ambassadors Alexander and  
General Thackeray were present.  
The commissioners leave to-night for  
Dresden to take a boat down the Elbe.  
They have been highly mystified by  
their failure to get any reply to tele-  
grams and letters sent to the Ameri-  
can embassy at Vienna.

**Forget and Forget.**  
Dr. von Holleben, the former Ger-  
man ambassador at Washington, has  
come forward as a proponent of a  
peace movement, and especially in re-  
gard to Anglo-German relations. In  
a prominently placed article in one  
of the Berlin newspapers he calls upon  
both nations to forget their differences  
and make up for the benefit of civil-  
ization in general.

Clarence R. Edwards, chief of the  
Bureau of Insular Affairs at Wash-  
ington, and Mrs. Edwards have been  
in Berlin for a week. General Edwards,  
who is going again to the Philippines  
after his return to Washington, said  
he thought the influence of the new  
tariff legislation, as far as it affects  
the Philippine Islands, is favorable.  
He expects a great increase in the  
American trade in the islands. A dinner  
was given in honor of General  
Edwards on Tuesday by Consul-  
General Thackeray.

Mahmud Shekief Pasha, command-  
er-in-chief of the Turkish army, has  
accepted an invitation sent by Em-  
peror William to attend the autumn  
manoeuvres of the German army.

**MAY BLOCK CHINESE LOAN**

Entry of His Province Send Protest  
and Make Threat.

PEKING, Aug. 21.—The entry of the  
province of Huenan has telegraphed to

Grand Councillor Chang Chai Tung a  
protest against the granting of the Han-  
kow-Sze-Chuen railroad loan of \$20,000,000  
to American and other bankers. They  
declare that if the throne sanctions the  
proposal, they will refuse to recognize  
the imperial edict.

The protest has been laid before the  
government. High officials in Peking  
regard this attitude of the gentry of cen-  
tral China as a most serious menace to  
the system of central control, and ur-  
gently demand that it be combated. But  
in other quarters there is much doubt  
of the ability of government to control  
this expanding spirit of provincial sov-  
ereignty.

As a result of foreign and domestic  
opposition to his policies, Chang Chai Tung,  
the foremost official of the empire, has  
been trying to resign for a month past.  
The emperor, however, will not hear of  
this and has ordered the grand councillor  
to continue his duties.

**HEART ON WRONG SIDE**

Doctors Think Indigestion Caused Dis-  
placement of Organ.

TORONTO, August 21.—Frank Thom-  
as, whose heart has jumped from the  
left side of his body to the right, is  
now in St. Michael's Hospital, which he  
entered two weeks ago. A stethoscope  
showed that the heart had become dis-  
located, the cavity on the left side  
filled up with matter, which was re-  
moved, but no attempt will be made  
to replace the heart, as it seems to be  
working all right.

The reason for dislocation is thought  
to have been indigestion in an acute  
form, which generated gases in large  
enough quantities to force the heart  
from its normal position. It is lodged  
beside his right lung, but does not  
seem to affect his breathing.

**KING LOSES HIS WHISKERS**

Queen Victoria Told Alfonso He  
Looked Like an English Butler.

LONDON, August 21.—There is an  
epilogue to the story of the whiskers  
of King Alfonso of Spain. His  
Majesty when he arrived at San  
Sebastian from Madrid was wearing  
side whiskers and had had his hair cut  
very short.  
The King thought that this change  
gave him the appearance of an admi-  
ral of the British Navy. But  
Queen Victoria, Eugenia quickly re-  
marked that he looked more like an  
English butler, and urged him to shave  
the whiskers off. This His Majesty did,  
for when he returned to Madrid he  
was whiskerless once more and looked  
younger than ever.

**POPE GIVES AUTO AWAY**

Finds He Cannot Use American Gift  
in Vatican Gardens.

ROME, August 21.—Finding that the  
Vatican Gardens were not extensive  
enough to permit of his motoring  
through them, Pope Pius has presented  
his motor car to Cardinal Merry del  
Val, the Papal Secretary of State, and  
has given it to him as a handsome one,  
with luxurious fittings, and was presented  
to the Pope by wealthy Americans.

**VILLAGES SUBMERGED**

Great Floods Do Much Damage and  
Many People Lose Lives.

MELBOURNE, Aug. 21.—There are  
many serious floods throughout the State  
of Victoria. Many villages have been  
submerged and there have been a num-  
ber of fatalities.  
Railroad communication between Mel-  
bourne and Adelaide has been suspended  
for three days on account of the collapse  
of bridges.

**LAMP EXPLODES; FOUR DEAD**

Two Banks Among Buildings Burned  
in Sweden.

KARLSKRONA, SWEDEN, Aug. 21.—  
Four persons were burned to death and  
a half-dozen buildings were destroyed by  
a fire that broke out in the centre of  
Karlskrona to-day. The Sodra Sveriges

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### ROY GOES SCOT FREE

No Case Against Man Who Killed  
Brother-in-Law.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)  
PARIS, August 21.—A verdict of "no  
case" was rendered by the court to-  
day in favor of Earl Roy, who killed  
his brother-in-law, George A. Carkins,  
at Newington, N. H., on January 2, 1908.  
The decision of the judge was based  
on the theory of self-defense. This  
disposes of the famous Glacia Calla  
case.

George Carkins died at Newington,  
N. H., in January of last year. Roy,  
who was married to Carkins's sister,  
who was generally known as "Glacia  
Calla, the American Beauty," stated  
that Carkins committed suicide. This  
explanation passed for some time, until  
Mrs. Roy, who had been in New York  
for a month or more after the funeral,  
returned to Newington and said her  
husband killed her brother by shoot-  
ing. She also stated that she had been  
held to secrecy by threat of her hus-  
band to kill her if she told about the  
murder.

The woman declared that two  
bullet holes would be found in her  
brother's back, where Roy had shot  
him after he had been felled by a  
first shot.

The body was exhumed, and an ex-  
amination revealed the bullet wounds.  
Roy, who is a Frenchman, had fled to  
France in the meantime. He was lo-  
cated near the end of February, 1908.  
He admitted the shooting but claimed  
he shot Carkins in self-defense. Roy  
placed himself at the disposal of the  
French police, but no steps were taken  
to arrest him. The American officials  
asked for his extradition, but France  
declined to grant the request, saying  
that as Roy was a Frenchman he must  
be prosecuted in that country.

Magistrate Boucard was appointed to  
try the case. In his examination be-  
fore the magistrate Roy blamed his  
wife for the murder, and announced his  
intention of suing for divorce. Glacia  
Calla refused to go to France to tes-  
tify against him. To-day's decision  
by Magistrate Boucard was generally  
expected.

**Anarchists Arrested.**  
BUDA PEST, Aug. 21.—The police of  
this city have taken into custody twenty-  
six anarchists, who recently arrived here  
to attend the forthcoming anarchist con-  
gress.

**AFTER TAX DODGERS.**

Judge Tyler Delivers Strong Charge to  
Charles City Grand Jury.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CHARLES CITY, C. H., VA., August  
21.—The regular term of Charles City  
Court convened on the 19th and was  
adjourned last night. Judge Tyler  
instructed the grand jury for more  
than an hour on the importance of  
the examination of the personal prop-  
erty books of this county, and laid  
stress on the importance of citizens  
reporting an income tax where it was  
due. After a short session the jury  
reported the assessment of property  
all right, but Judge Tyler, believing  
the books should have a more thor-  
ough examination, requested the jury  
to return to their room and give  
the matter more time and attention.  
On returning the second time the jury  
reported that they had reasons to be-  
lieve that some of the taxpayers were  
not returning a correct list as to money  
deposited with banks, etc., and while  
they would not make any indictments  
at this term of court, they would look  
further into the matter.

**In Jones's District.**

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., August 21.—  
Much interest is felt in the ap-  
pointment of a supervisor of the cen-  
sus for the First Congressional Dis-  
trict. It is not known whether a  
Democrat or Republican will be chosen.  
The only name mentioned so far by  
the Republicans is that of Edwin  
Brown, of Northumberland county.

**Dr. Ray Better.**

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ASHLAND, VA., August 21.—Rev.  
George H. Ray, D. D., of Spotsylvania,  
who suffered a slight stroke of paral-  
ysis last day, and who was brought  
to the home of his son, Dr. A. Cham-  
bers Ray, in Ashland, is resting quiet-  
ly, though members of his family are  
uneasy concerning his condition. Dr.  
Ray is prominent in Masonry as well  
as in the councils of the Methodist  
Church.

**Working for Monument.**

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., August 21.—  
The ladies of the Spotsylvania Mem-  
orial Association have started a cam-  
paign for the erection of a monu-  
ment at Spotsylvania Courthouse to  
commemorate the valor of the Confed-  
erate soldiers of Spotsylvania county  
who died in battle on its historic fields  
during the Civil War. The ladies  
about \$500 already in hand and  
hope to increase this amount to \$2,000.

## EFFORT TO MURDER PHILADELPHIA MAN DEPUTY SHERIFF SWEEP OVERBOARD

By Use of Gun Brave Officer  
Saves His Life and Prevents  
Jail Delivery.

John T. Taylor Drowned in  
Chesapeake Bay While Yacht-  
ing With Friends.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CAPE CHARLES, VA., August 21.—  
John T. Taylor, twenty years old, a  
son of William S. Taylor, of the Henry  
Hess Brewing Company, of Philadel-  
phia, residing at 1437 Euclid Avenue,  
that city, was drowned in the Ches-  
apeake Bay, near Sandy Island, about  
4 o'clock this afternoon.

The young man came here from  
Philadelphia last Monday and was at-  
tending a house party at the home of  
S. B. Hillman, near Cape Charles. This  
afternoon in company with Mr. Hill-  
man and several friends he was taking  
a ride on the Bay in a yacht, when,  
sitting on the stern of the boat, he  
was knocked overboard by a huge  
wave which struck the yacht.

A son of Mr. Hillman plunged into  
the Bay in an effort to save young  
Taylor, and narrowly escaped being  
drowned, as his companion embraced  
him in a death clasp as he was sink-  
ing. The boat was going at full speed  
at the time of the accident, and some  
time was lost before young Hillman  
could reach his unfortunate companion,  
who could not swim.

Discovering the plight of both young  
men, others of the party came to their  
rescue, but Taylor sank from view be-  
fore further assistance could reach  
him. Searching parties are now look-  
ing for the body of young Taylor,  
which has not been recovered. S. B.  
Hillman, at whose home the young  
man had been stopping while here,  
is an oyster broker, formerly of Phila-  
delphia.

**Captain Allen Ill.**  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
AMHERST, VA., August 21.—Captain  
Timothy L. Allen, formerly of this place,  
but lately of Washington, is report-  
ed to be very ill at a hospital in Roanoke.  
He was first taken to Crockett Springs,  
and was conveyed from there to Ro-  
anoke. His children are all with him  
in that city. It is feared that Captain  
Allen will not recover.

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**Successful Meeting of Baptists Is Held  
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YANCEY MILLS, VA., August 21.—  
The Albemarle Baptist Association,  
which has been in session here with  
this Hillsboro Church, has just closed.  
This was the one hundred and eightieth  
annual session, and dates back to the  
time when sundry petitions were be-  
ing presented to the General Assembly  
by the Baptists setting forth the fact  
that they were restricted in the exer-  
cise of their religion and their minis-  
ters imprisoned for preaching the gos-  
pel according to their way of looking  
at it. The association is much smaller  
than in former years, because of the  
fact that the churches in Augusta and  
Rockingham counties were cut off a  
number of years ago to form the Au-  
gusta Association, while those in Am-  
herst and Nelson counties were cut off  
about seven years ago and the Pied-  
mont Association formed.

The association will meet next year  
with the Bethel Church, in Fluvanna  
county, and Mr. S. C. Page was elected  
moderator of the body.

**Dr. Ray Better.**  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
ASHLAND, VA., August 21.—Rev.  
George H. Ray, D. D., of Spotsylvania,  
who suffered a slight stroke of paral-  
ysis last day, and who was brought  
to the home of his son, Dr. A. Cham-  
bers Ray, in Ashland, is resting quiet-  
ly, though members of his family are  
uneasy concerning his condition. Dr.  
Ray is prominent in Masonry as well  
as in the councils of the Methodist  
Church.

**Working for Monument.**  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., August 21.—  
The ladies of the Spotsylvania Mem-  
orial Association have started a cam-  
paign for the erection of a monu-  
ment at Spotsylvania Courthouse to  
commemorate the valor of the Confed-  
erate soldiers of Spotsylvania county  
who died in battle on its historic fields  
during the Civil War. The ladies  
about \$500 already in hand and  
hope to increase this amount to \$2,000.

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